

## EFFECTIVE

November 1, 2019.

### Subject(s)

1. Timeframes for initial parenting time.
2. Supervision of parenting time.
3. Sibling visitation.

### 1) Timeframes for Initial Parenting Time

The first parenting time after removal must occur within seven calendar days of removal.

*Reason:* Office of Child Welfare Policy and Programs clarification.

### 2) Supervision of Parenting Time

#### ***Caseworker Supervision of Supervised Parenting Time***

When supervised parenting time is being supervised by individuals other than the assigned caseworker, the assigned caseworker must supervise at least one parenting time during the first 30 days after removal and once per quarter thereafter to assess parent/child interactions and attachment.

*Reason:* Children's Services Agency recommendation.

#### ***Caseworker Observation of Unsupervised Parenting Time***

When parenting time is unsupervised, the caseworker is not required to observe parenting time, but may do so at their discretion. If the caseworker is not observing unsupervised parenting times, they may base their assessment of parent/child interactions and attachment on information obtained from the child(ren), parent(s), service providers, and their observations of parent/child interactions on settings other than parenting time.

*Reason:* Children's Services Agency recommendation.

### 3) Sibling Visitation

Siblings who are placed apart and who are seeing each other at least once per month during parenting time visits are no longer required to have a separate sibling visit each month.

*Reason:* Children's Services Agency recommendation.

**MANUAL  
MAINTENANCE  
INSTRUCTIONS**

**Changed Items ...**

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